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BISHOP BURNS PREACHES

Helena Prelate Presides at Ses sion at Which Officers of Last Year Are Re-elected.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 13.— (Special.)—The annual session of the Puget sound conference of the Methodist Episcopal church opened its 39th meeting this morning at 8:30, with Bishop Burns of Helena, Mont., presiding.

This session, held in the Metho-dist church, is attended by 250 rep-resentatives of all of Washington west of the Cascades. This territory is divided into four districts—the Bellingham, the Seattle, the Tacoma and the Vancouver districts. Each of these districts is presided over by a district superintendent. Rev. George W. Frame, ex-pastor of the Methodist church here, is superin-tendent of the Bellingham district; Rev. George A. Landen of the Seattle district; Rev. D. Roland Martin of the Tacoms district, and Rev, E. M. Hill of the Vancouver

Hymn Opens Conference.

The conference was called to order by the singing of a hymn. The bishop gave an inspirational talk on the report of St. John about the crucifixion, taking as his text. "And he went forth bearing his cross." It was an impressive talk, emphasizing the Christ on the cross rather than the mere cross. Following this address was the cele-bration of the Lord's supper, led by the bishop and the superintendin which the members of the ents, in which the members of the conference and their friends present

officers of the last session The officers of the last session then were re-elected: Secretary, Robert Hartley; treasurer, Roy Sprague, and statistician, Raymond Rees. All these departments have their offices in the First Presbyterian church of the city since there

The annual memorial service followed, with Rev. E. D. White of Sedro-Woolley presiding. Rev. G. B. Fallis read the Scriptures, Rev. Richard Oates offered prayer and Rev. F. D. White of Sedro-Woolley presiding. Rev. G. Bodies of victims of the disaster will be sealed in canvas because here. Sedro-Woolley presiding. Rev. G. Bodies of victims of the disaster Rev. Rallis read the Scriptures, Rev. Rev. Richard Oates offered prayer, and Rev. E. B. Reese of Yacolt delivered the address. The following who had died during the year now ending were remembered in the services: Rev. C. N. Goulder of Tacoma and B. Galbraith, son of Rev. B. N. Galbraith, son of Rev. B. S. Galbraith, son of Rev. G. S. Galbraith, son of Rev. B. S. Galbraith, son of Galbraith of Oak Harbor, who was drowned while in government serv-

Reward of Faithful Discussed.

The speaker, in a very graphic ldress, reviewed the recent address, reviewed the recent achievements of science and invention and discoveries, and reminded the conference that there was nothing new or different in death, but for those who have finished their course in the good soldiery of the gospel there was, nevertheless, a governor, addressed a small crowd in the city park at noon today. Mr. reward of incalculable value await-ing the members of the conference when their work on earth is done.

The following visitors were intro-duced: Dr. H. C. Jennings, retired publishing agent of the Book Con-cern; Robert H. Hughes, now one of the agents of the Methodist Book Concern, Chicago; Dr. A. C. How-arth, executive secretary of com-mittee of conservation and advance, of Portland: Dr. W. Y. Youngson. of Portland; Dr. W. W. Youngson, superintendent of the Portland dis-trict; Dr. T. E. Elliott, vice-presi-dent of Willamette university, and Dr. J. C. Abbott of Portland.

publishing agent, R. Hughes, former editor of the Pacific Advocate, addressed the conference, emphasizing the value of good books and the church papers. Following him Dr. Jennings, agent emeritus, was called. He reminded the conference of how the Book Concern had its humble start by a loan of \$600, and among other things said that through these inthings said that through these in-tervening years more than \$4,000, 000 had been paid to the aged preachers of the church out of the profits of the Book Concern. Bishop W. O. Shepard, the resi-dential bishop, was called and es-corted to the front, introduced and cheared by the conference.

cheered by the conference. The pre-siding bishop insisted on Bishop Shepard taking the chair a few mo ments, which he did. Bishop Shep-ard had been scheduled for an address during the programme on the anniversary of hospital and homes, but had to be excused in order that he might reach St. Paul in time for a church dedication on Sunday. Telegrams of greeting were sent

to the ministers in Alaska, who could not attend the conference, Rev. R. V. H. Dunlap, Seward; Rev. Richkan mission is here.

The conference will continue until next Monday.

CLUB TO BUILD HOME

Eugene Collegians Ready to Erect First Unit of Structure.

will be located on Fourteenth ave-nue East, between Alder and Kin-mechanical drawing to poultry and

of the Masonic order.

EX-CASHIER IS INDICTED Boise Man Charged With Embez-

zling \$7344, BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 13.—(Special.)
-Walter F. Thode, formerly cashier of the defunct Overland National bank, was indicted on a charge of embezzling the bank's funds by the federal grand jury, which reported to Federal Judge Dietrich late today of which were secret. The grand jury investigated the affairs of the defunct bank, it is reliably reported. The indictment against Thode conained eight different counts, charg-ng him with appropriating a total of \$7244 of the bank's funds to his

Counts 1 and 2 charge Thode with embezzling \$1700 in October, 1919; count 3 with embezzling \$1269 in February, 1920; count 4 with embezzing \$1005 in May, 1920; count 5 with embezzing \$2500 in July, 1920; counts 6 and 7 with embezzing \$500 in December, 1920, and count 8 with embezzing \$370 in March, 1921, but a few weeks before the bank failed. a few weeks before the bank failed. The grand jury also indicted Henry Workman and Earl Posey, in connection with the holdup of the Oakley Vipont, Utah, mail stage July 24. Workman and Posey have been lodged in the Ada county jail for some time awaiting action of

DIGGERS HOPE TO REACH ENTOMBED MEN FRIDAY.

Grimy Workers Burrow Through Muck and Rock Toward 47 Fire-Trapped Miners.

seventeenth day burrow through dirt, muck and rock to 47 men imprisoned in the burning

night.
Meanwhile, on the assumption that many, if not all, the entrapped min-ers have perished, preparations went forward to care for the bodies exected to be recovered. Temporarily it was said tonight by officials, all bodies will be left where they are found and rescue crews will comb the labyrinth of passages in the Argonaut's depths for men who might be alive. When a body is found rescue workers will mark the location on an official map and this

MR. PIERCE AT MEDFORD

recent Candidate Promises to Reduce

governor, addressed a small crowd in the city park at noon today. Mr. Pierce was introduced by George A. when their work on earth is done. The memorial service was concluded with the hymn, "Work, for the Night declared that "confiscation of prop-

n \$1,000,000 or more additional tax

YOUNG BOY DISAPPEARS

Cottage Grove Youth Fails to Arrive at Home.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Sept. 13 .-(Special)—Gordon White, 15-yearold son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. White
of Cottage Grove, has disappeared
He left Fossil, Or., where he had
spent the summer working on a
ranch at the home of his sister, Mrs.
McKinley Huntington, ostonsibly to return to his home in Cottage Grove, treasury. On top of this, of course, August 30, and was to have met his it paid all the usual taxes on its sister, Miss Wilma White, a student properties at steadily increasing in Reed college in Portland, on the rates llowing day.

He did not arrive. Miss White waited another day and then com-municated with her parents here and a search was begun for the missing boy.

Chlorine Used in City Water.

ASHLAND, Or., Sept. 13.—(Spe-ial.)—The local water supply is reelving much unfavorable comment at present, due to the large amount of chlorine it has been found necessary to place in the intakes above the city. Chlorine has been used in the water continually for the past year, though it had been cut to a minimum during the summer months when the water was low. A recent test of the water in the creek supplying the intake proved the water unfit, it having been contaminated by picnickers in the mountains Ard Decker, Nome, and Rev. W. A. Allen of Juneau. Rev. J. T. Mc-Queen, superintendent of the Alaspermanent job of it, at least during the months when hikers visit the mountains. It has also been suggested that the water shed be enlosed with a fence.

School Day to Be Observed.

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 13 .- (Special.) First Unit of Structure.

EUGENE, Or., Sept. 13.—(Special.)

—Construction work on the first unit of the new home and clubrooms of the Craftsmen's club, the University of Oregon's Masonic society, probably will be started this fall, according to those in charge of the promotion of the bullding, which will be located on Fourteenth ave-cluding every phase of work from -Friday, October 6, will be school caid streets.

The first unit of the structure into two classes, one for children will cost approximately \$10,000. It under 12 years of age and one for is being financed by the grand lodge those over 12 years.

Porcupine Bests Dog.

SCIO, Or., Sept. 13 .- (Special.)-In a fight with a porcupine, near Larwood, east of Scio, last week, the dog belonging to Charles Rockweel got the worst of it. He had never met up with anything that could fight quite so hard and with so stinging effects before, and hi mouth was certainly well filled with

needles. S. & H. green stamps for cash. Holman Fuel Co., coal and wood. Broadway 6353; 560-21.—Adv.

BETTERMENT IS LACKING

system of 8 1-3-Cent Fare Pays Expenses, but Earns No Revenue for Extensions.

ARTICLE II. PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle Wash., Sept. 13 .- Seattle, like most cities of size, has wrestled with many livic problems. Sometimes the soluion has been reached with practical unanimity of public opinion. More often there has been a well-marked division of sentiment, with a distinct JACKSON, Cal., Sept. 13.—In spite line up on either side of the question and an ultimate decision in accord disheartening progress on the cord with the will of the majority. Seattle's municipal street railway

problem is like none of the prob-ems that have gone before and been disposed of. There is unanimity Argonaut mine, grimy rescue work-ers emerging from the ground to-night after their exhausting grind, and that present fares are too high prism of innumerable facets.

> Contract Held "Impossible." On one point, somewhat apart om the immediate questions of service and fares, and getting back to the beginnings of this municipal enterprise, there is tendency toward agreement of a vague sort. This tendency gets encouragement from every city official who has no sug-gestion to offer for instant applica-tion. Mayor Caldwell, who preceded Mayor Brown as the city's ch'ef executive, pronounced the con-tract under which the system was purchased an "impossible contract." What Mr. Caldwell meant, and what is in the minds of the many who have since made use of the phrase.

t. There are no degrees of impos-ibility. It can be done, in whole or that at the 8 1-3-cent fare the city is finding it possible to meet all the obligations of the system.

Money for Extensions Lacking when their work on earth is done.
The memorial service was concluded, with the hymn, "Work, for the Night Is Coming."

Is Coming."

The superintendents were called only issue in the campaign.

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Mr. Pierce promised to reduce taxes if elected, but made no mensor of the contract seems of the contract seems established in the fact that the city is getting by under its terms. Its impossibility lies in its inhibition against all those things that city of the Hood River American Legion post, who launched the ascent year before last as a northwest recreational feature of Oregon outdoor outdoor to stage a two-But it has not been found possible or separately-owned and scattered lines, a general connecting up to set the legion post, will star in rope working stants over the glaciers.

At a meeting of the Legion last and the building of many extensions. All this was accomplished by the Seattle Electric company, later the Purget Sound Traction, Light & Power company, controlled by Stone & Webster of Boston. Under the terms of its franchise this private corporation was held to the 5-cent fare; it paid the cost of paving between and on both sides of all its tracks, and 2 per cent of its gross receipts went annually into the size.

Sheepman Pleads Guilty.

From Oakland. The fived at the grounds. The travelers are E. Hamburg, a later ground and arest coming, and that they would lay off for a year. At they would lay off for a year. All this grounds they would lay off for a year. All they woul

> Purchase Wartime Venture. Seattle's activity in shipbuilding and allied industries during the war created a new and concentrated decreated a new and concentrated demand for increased car service. The corporation sought concessions that might enable it to meet this demand; but the city council held it strictly to its franchise terms, refusing to permit any increase of fares or to grant relief from any enaction or requirement. Shipbuild-ing concerns, and the large body of organized labor connected with the shipyards grew insistent and noisy in their demands for more service. Representatives of the emergency fleet corporation came out from Washington and, after looking over the situation, declared that unless better service could be given to and from the local yards they would rec-ommend that no more contracts be awarded to Seattle shipbuilders. The

declaration that it was doing all that could be done in the circumstances. \$15,000,000 Agreed On.

Here seemed to be a crisis and a deadlock. It was at this juncture, in the fall of 1918, that Ole Hanson, then mayor of Seattle, advanced the suggestion that the city buy the railway system, Negotiations moved rapidly. In the course of a few weeks

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tentatively agreed upon. It was said to be a shading from a then recent valuation of the property to be purchased, a valuation of something byer \$18,000,000. Payment was to be made in utility bonds, secured by the

made in utility bonds, secured by the earnings of the system.

There is no requirement of law that a utility bond issue must be submitted to vote of the people. The mayor and council might have closed the deal. But the general election of November was close at hand, and it was decided to let the people vote on the proposal, with the understanding that this was merely a fest of public sentiment and not necessarily binding on city officials. The November vote favored the purchase in the ratio of four to one.

City Operation Begun April 1.

City Operation Begun April 1. Termination of the world war with the armistice of November 11 might have been taken to indicate that the emergency which had seemed to compel purchase of the railway sys-tem would soon pass; that war-time industries, particularly shipbuilding. would no longer tax the capacity of local street car lines. But the thought, here as elsewhere, was to retain the war-time industrial population. For the time being the end of the war made no difference whatever in the community outlook. whatever in the community outlook. The people had authorized the purchase, and the deal was pressed through to a conclusion. The formal transfer of the system from the Stone & Webster interests to the city took place at midnight March 31, 1919, and the city started operating its new property bright and ing its new property bright and early on the morning of April 1. C'ty hall and newspaper humorists made note of the fact that it was all-fools day.

Councilman Opposes Purchase The council had passed the ordinances necessary to closing the pur-chase, the issuance of the \$15,000,000 in utility bonds in payment, and for night after their exhausting grind, predicted that they would smash through to their entombed fellows by late Friday night.

Small gains were effected today by crews battering from the 3600 and 3900-foot levels of the adjacent Kennedy mine. At 4 o'clock this afternoon a total of 63 feet was still to be mucked and dug on the 3600-foot level before a wall of 75 feet of solid rock is reached. On the 3900-foot level the total footage will be reduced to 98 feet after five feet of rock has been blasted away tonight.

and that present fares are too high for comfort. Unanimity ends right there. It would be difficult to find there. It would be difficult to find the city who agree, point for point, on any course that might be followed to a right conclusion. The mayor and the nine members of the city council, the superintendent of city utilities and the superintendent of the street ralway system, are all at variance in large and in detail; and the differences that radiate out from the city hall are broken up, scattered and diffused among the people like the sun's rays striking through a prism of innumerable facets. tion. There are many persons in Seattle today who think that he was

LUMBERMEN LAY PLANS

Rebuilding of Hammond Mill at Astoria Expected Soon.

Astoria Expected Soon.

ASTORIA. Or., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—While no definite announcement regarding the rebuilding of the Hammond Lumber company's mill here, which was destroyed by fire last Monday night, is anticipated before the arrival of the company officials from San Francisco about next Friday, a telegram received today from G. B. McLeod, northwest manager for the company, intimates that the company's operations will be continued here.

The dispatch, which was dated at San Francisco, said: "Concerning the loss of our Astoria mill and plans for the future, Mr. Rankin and I will leave for home this afternoon, having conferred with Mr. Ham-

ver, disputed.
Usually when a thing is recultively will leave for home this afternoon will leave for home this afternoon having conferred with Mr. Hamsibility, it can be done, in whole or it part, or it cannot be done at all. Contrary to the general rule, the impossibility of Seattle's street railbut at the subject to varying interpretations; whereas, the fact is that at the 8 1-3-cent fare the city the fact is in the city that at the 8 1-3-cent fare the city the fact is a contract to the fact is a con tion of operations at Astoria in the near future."

MOVIE TO CATCH STUNTS

against all those things that city of-ficials would like to do in the way of lower fares and improved service.

To understand this contract and the conditions under which it was

tee. The levy proposed last year was \$124,930.15.

SEEKERS AFTER BUSINESS SITES IN CITY AUTO PARK Many Tourists Study Opportunities Offered by Portland, With

BY ADDISON BENNETT.

cent. He had previously attempted to plead guilty in Bend, but Justice of the Peace E. D. Gilson had refused to permit, as the offense was committed in Klamath county.

School Levy to Be Higher.

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Sheepman Pleads Guilty.

Sheepman Pleads Guilty.

BEND, Or., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—
Pleading guilty to causing a forest fire in the Paulina mountains a month ago. Ned Angland, sheepman, paid a fine of \$25 in Crescent. He had previously attempted to plead guilty in Bend, but Justice

To their homes, seemingly much pleased with their trip.

To their homes, seemingly much pleads guilty.

From Oakland, Cal., we have bring and wife, on a return trip, as they stopped at the park in July. Since then they have been driving around the west, getting as far east as Butte, Mont. Mr. Brooks and wife, on a return trip, as they stopped at the park in July. Since then they have been driving around the west, getting as far east as Butte, Mont. Mr. Brooks is a real estate operator.

George L. Corrington and stopped at the park in July. Since then they have been driving around the west, getting as far east as Butte, Mont. Mr. Brooks and wife, on a return trip, as they stopped at the park in July. Since then they have been driving around the west, getting as far east as Butte, Mont. Mr. Brooks and wife, on a return trip, as they stopped at the park in July. Since then they have been or in the tall timber and thinks his farm near Walla Walla, Wash., sends us Roe Mangland, here.

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Walla Walla, Wash., sends us Roe Mangland, here.

The mean Smith, P. G. Smith of San mean the trip, as they stopped at the park in found him over in the tall timber near the center, of the camp, where he was assisting Mrs. Smith with the thinks his farm near Walla walla, Wash., sends us Roe Mangland, here.

Walla Walla, Wash., sends us Roe Mangland, here.

seen better days and is now well braced with barbed wire. But from what they say it gets over the road as well as the eight-cylinder, high

Wichita, Kan, which place they lef August 5. They came via Pueblo Denver, Yellowstone park. Spokane

and Walla Walla, thence to Pendle ton and down the highway. The operate a Ford speedster that ha





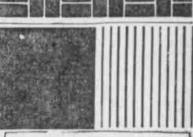
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